Mr. A. RANGANATHA MUDALIYAR :—"With reference to the answer given to this question, may I know whether these amounts shown as surcharges are collected?"

The hon. the RAJA OF PANAGAL :—"In most cases they are collected."

Mr. MUHAMMAD GHOUSE MIAN SAHIB :—"May I know the reason why in these cases surcharge certificates are issued?"

The hon. the RAJA OF PANAGAL :—"Because audit rules require it"

Rao Bahadur T. A. RAMALINGA CHETTIYAR :—"May I know to what this amount of Rs. 4,170 given in the answer relates to?"

The hon. the RAJA OF PANAGAL :—"That was the amount surcharged in the case of the Saidapet Municipality."

Removal of pial on the eastern side of the mosque at Muddanore.

* 214 Q.—Mr. K. ABDUL HYE SAHIB : Will the hon. the Minister for Local Self-Government be pleased to state—

(a) whether the president, district board of Cuddapah, has ordered the removal of pials situated on the eastern side of the mosque at Muddanore;

(b) whether the Muhammadans have protested against this; if so, what was the result of their protest; and

(c) whether the Khazi Sahib of Muddanore was called upon to remove the said pial and on his refusing to do so he was fined by the Sub-Magistrate, Jammalamadugu?

A.—(a), (b) & (c) The Government have no information.

Meetings of the Advisory Committee of the Local Self-Government Department.

* 215 Q.—Rao Sahib U. RAMA RAO : With reference to the meeting of the Advisory Committee of the Local Self-Government Department held at Ootacamund in May 1925, will the hon. the Minister for Local Self-Government be pleased to furnish the following details :—

(a) the total number of members that constitute the Advisory Committee;

(b) the number that attended the Committee meeting at Ootacamund;

(c) the number of days the Committee sat;

(d) the total amount of travelling and other allowances drawn by the members of the Committee; and

(e) the urgency for holding the Committee meeting at Ootacamund?

	Total number of members in May 1925.
A.—(a) Advisory Committee for Local and Municipal Administration	10
Advisory Committee for Public Health Administration	8
Total ...	18

	Attendance.
(b) Date of meeting—	
18th May 1925	8
19th May 1925	7
20th May 1925	7
21st May 1925	7
22nd May 1925	6

(c) Five.

(d) The total amount of travelling and daily allowances payable comes to Rs. 595-15-0.

(e) There were several subjects which it was necessary to discuss and advantage was taken of six members belonging to the committees being present in Ootacamund on other business.

'Check' or 'subsidiary' toll-gates in Bellary, etc., districts.

*216 Q.—Mr. A. Ranganatha Mudaliyar: Will the hon. the Minister for Local Self-Government be pleased to state—

(a) whether the Government are aware that in Bellary, Anantapur and Kurnool districts, what are called 'check' or 'subsidiary' toll-gates are established in addition to the regular toll-gates at distances varying up to two miles and even more from the main gates; and

(b) the authority under which such 'check' or 'subsidiary' gates were opened?

A.—(a) The Government have no information. The notification of places for collection of tolls is within the powers of the district boards.

(b) Section 104 (4) of the Madras Local Boards Act, 1920, contemplates the opening of subsidiary toll-gates.

Mr. A. Ranganatha Mudaliyar:—"With reference to the answer given to this question, should not the distance be two furlongs from the main gate for opening a subsidiary gate under the rules?"

The hon. the Raja of Panagal:—"No."

Mr. Muhammad Ghouse Mian Sahib:—"Does not section 104 (4) of the Local Boards Act say that only under extraordinary circumstanees a subsidiary toll-gate will be opened?"

The hon. the Raja of Panagal:—"Sir, whether circumstances are ordinary or extraordinary, it is the local board concerned that has to decide."

Mr. A. Ranganatha Mudaliyar:—"May subsidiary gates be opened even beyond five miles from the main gate?"

Nomination of lady members to municipalities and local boards.

*217 Q.—Mr. R. Srinivasa Ayyangar: Will the hon. the Minister for Local Self-Government be pleased to state—

(a) the municipalities and local boards which have nominated lady members; and

(b) whether any instructions have been issued to the presidents of district boards to nominate women as members of the local boards in their districts?